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TAGS: CDES (MONG, RONALD K)
SUBJECT: DEATH OF RONALD K. MONG

TO:MR AND MRS MONG
BOX 93,
KNOX, PENNA - 16232
(NO TELEPHONE NUMBER AVAILABLE)

1. IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT WE MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF YOUR SON, RONALD K. MONG. LOCAL NEWSPAPER MAN INFORMED THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL AT PALERMO THAT HIS DEATH OCCURRED ON JULY 21, 1977 AT THE BEACH OF MARINELLA, SELINUNTE, CASTELVETRANO, TRAPANI, ITALY BY DROWNING.
2. YOUR SON WAS IDENTIFIED BY HIS BRITISH TRAVELLING COMPANION AND HIS U.S. PPT. NO. 2308844 ISSUED AT STUTTGART, GERMANY, ON APRIL 7, 1977, SHOWING DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH AS JUNE 9, 1955 AT PENNA.
3. REGRETFULLY, WE MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE CERTAIN URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. ITALIAN LAW REQUIRES THAT PROMPT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR LOCAL BURIAL OR FOR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS. WE THEREFORE NEED TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR SON'S REMAINS RETURNED TO U.S. OR ELSEWHERE. IF SO, PREPARATION OF THE BODY AND AIR SHIPMENT TO NEW YORK WOULD APPROXIMATELY COST 1,800 DOLS. SINCE COMPLETE EMBALMINS AS KNOWN IN U.S. IS NOT AVAILABLE HERE VIEWING OF REMAINS MAY NOT BE ADVISABLE. LOCAL CREMATION NOT AVAILABLE. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED THE COST WOULD BE FROM 400 TO 600 DOLS.

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4. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING:
 - A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENRAL, PALERMO, GIVING THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REWUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. OR OTHER FUNERAL HOME SELECTED IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.
 - B) TELEX REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY. YOU MAY MAKE

ARRANGEMENT FOR PAYMENT OF LOCAL UNDERTAKER FEES AND SHIPMENT,

(1) BY MAKING PAYMENT THROUGH A U.S. AIRLINE OFFICE (P.A.A. OR
TWA) FOR LOCAL UNDERTAKER FEES AS WELL AS AIR FREIGHT COST FOR SHIPME
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OF REMAINS AND ASKING THEM TO TELEX AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND FUNDS
TO THEIR PALERMO AGENT, SPECIFYING THAT FUNDS ARE FOR THE CASE OF
RONALD MONG AND FOR AGENT TO CONTACT AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, OR

(2) TELEXING FUNDS THROUGH YOUR U.S. BANK TO ITS CORRESPONDENT
BANK IN PALERMO, SPECIFYING THAT FUNDS ARE TO BE CREDITED TO THE
AMERICAN CONSULATE GENRAL, PALERMO, FOR THE CASE OF RONALD MONG.

C) IF YOU ARE HAVING REMAINS SHIPPED TO U.S. YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE
THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

5. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRI
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OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. THE AIRLINE CARRYING YOUR
SON'S REMAINS WILL INFORM THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT OF
ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL OF REMAINS. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL
FORMALITIES A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS
OFFICE WILL BE SENT TO YOU.

6. IF NECESSARY YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST
BY TELEPHONING MISS. BARRY OR THE DUTY OFFICER, AMERICAN CONSULATE
GENERAL, PALERMO, ITALY (AREA CODE 091) 291532, EXT. 60.

7. PLEASE ACCEPT OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT. COLLINS

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